

San Diego Police Department

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Date: December 22, 2009 (Tuesday)

Time: 0800 Hours

Homicide Unit (619) 531-2425

CONTACT: Lieutenant Kevin Rooney

ARREST MADE IN 2007 MURDER

(**San Diego**) San Diego Police Department Homicide Unit detectives have arrested a suspect in the October 2007 murder of 34-year-old Mariano Alvarez in South Bay Terraces.

On October 14, 2007, Alvarez was a guest at a party in the 6300 block of Jouglard Street when he became involved in an altercation with Oscar Sarabia, 32. Sarabia stabbed Alvarez to death before fleeing to Mexico. Detectives obtained an arrest warrant charging Sarabia with murder on October 16, 2007.

Homicide Team II continued to search for Sarabia, and they recently located him in Ensenada, Mexico. Yesterday afternoon at 3:30 p.m. with the assistance of Mexican law enforcement officers, detectives arrested Sarabia on Avenida Benito Juarez in Ensenada. Sarabia was delivered to San Diego police officers at the San Ysidro Port of Entry at 9:00 p.m. Sarabia was booked into San Diego Central Jail for the outstanding warrant.

###